



**CITY OF MILWAUKEE**  
**Department of Neighborhood Services**

# **HELP WANTED!**

# **BUILD A BUILDING CODE**

**MEDIA ADVISORY!**

**Public Hearing 2:00 PM Wednesday May 9, 2001**  
**City Hall, Room 301-B**

**Department of Neighborhood Services seeking input on proposed ordinance that requires inspection of high rise facades for Milwaukee buildings.**

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Officials for the City of Milwaukee want you to look at a proposed ordinance that will require inspection of high-rise building facades. Recently, several buildings in downtown Milwaukee have lost parts of their facade. Fortunately no people have been injured. Building officials in Milwaukee are proposing a system to inspect the facades and address maintenance issues.

The public is invited to participate in the process of building the ordinance. Those interested can preview the proposed ordinance at the City of Milwaukee's website <[www.ci.mil.wi.us](http://www.ci.mil.wi.us)> The complete proposal is available for review and can be downloaded or printed out. Architects, engineers, builders, developers, building owners and the public are encouraged to review the proposal. Owners with buildings that are 5 or more stories high will be affected by the regulation. There is no national standard for high-rise facade inspection, but other major cities like Detroit, Boston, Chicago, and Columbus have a similar law.

A short presentation on the highlights of the inspection program will precede the public's opportunity to comment. Commissioner Martin G. Collins, and Commercial/Condemnation Section Supervisor Tracy Williams will review highlights of the ordinance and answer questions. Input from the hearing will be used to develop the final code.

Comments on the ordinance can be e-mailed to: ([mcolli@ci.mil.wi.us](mailto:mcolli@ci.mil.wi.us)) or they can be mailed to Dept. of Neighborhood Services, 841 N. Broadway RM1008, Milwaukee, WI 53202

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For more information or questions about this topic, call:

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